EXTRACTS

FROM

THE MINUTES

OF THE

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

HELD IN

PHILADELPHIA,

BY ADJOURNMENTS FROM THE TENTH DAY OF FIFTH MONTH
TO THE FOURTEENTH OF THE SAME, INCLUSIVE,

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S. W. COR. FIFTEENTH AND RACE STREETS, PHILADELPHIA.

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At the Yearly Meeting of Friends, held in Philadelphia, by adjournments from the 10th day of the Fifth month to the 14th of the same inclusive, 1897.

Reports were received from all of our constituent branches, by which it appears that one hundred and twenty-seven Friends have been named as Representatives to attend the service of this Meeting, who, being called, were all present except six; for the absence of one a sufficient reason was assigned.

Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of New York, Baltimore, Ohio, Indiana, Genesee, and Illinois were received, three of which were read at this time.

To respond as way opens to these evidences of regard and Christian fellowship, and also to assist the clerks in gathering the exercises of the Meeting, and in transcribing and forwarding the Epistles, a committee was appointed.

The committee appointed in 1896 to consider whether any, and if so, what changes are desirable in the Trustees by whom the funds in the hands of the Yearly Meeting are held, presented the following report, which was read, considered, and referred to the same committee for further attention.

To the Yearly Meeting:

After considering the subject referred to us, we propose that a committee of the Yearly Meeting shall be incorporated; which shall act as Trustee of such real and personal property as the Yearly Meeting shall intrust to it, and of such property as shall, with the assent of the Yearly Meeting, be intrusted to it.

We suggest that a charter for such a committee, to be called "Trustees of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of Friends," shall be obtained from the State of Pennsylvania.

We propose:

First: That this body shall have power to hold in fee simple, or on any less estate, lands, tenements, and all other kinds of property, in trust for the uses of the Yearly Meeting, for the uses of any of its constituent organizations, or for uses pertaining to its or their property, or to their religious, charitable or educational work; with power, so far as shall be consistent with the trusts, to sell and convey such property.

Second: That the Trustees shall be such thirty-two persons as shall have been appointed by the Yearly Meeting to the service.

Third: That the appointment shall be for terms that shall expire eight each year, on the first Sixth-day in the Sixth month.

Such an incorporation of the Trustees will obviate the necessity of renewing trusts, as Trustees die or become incapacitated.

The Yearly Meeting, and other meetings with its assent, will be able to place such trusts as they may desire

with the proposed Board ; and to make them revocable as they may see fit to do. We have no thought that all trusts of the subordinate meetings will be so placed, nor that all those of the Yearly Meeting will necessarily be so.

There will perhaps be no need for frequent meetings of the Trustees. They will probably appoint officers and a sub-committee, or sub-committees, to attend to the ordinary details of business.

We suggest that the meeting shall continue the subject for consideration by Friends generally, and by either this or another committee.

On behalf of the Committee,

WM. W. BIRDSALL,
ANNIE SHOEMAKER, } Clerks.

The representatives were desired to confer and propose to our next sitting the name of a Friend to serve this Meeting as clerk; also the names of two Friends to serve as assistant clerks for the present year. They were further desired to propose the names of Friends to compose a committee to unite with a committee of Women's Meeting in auditing and settling the Treasurer's account, reporting the sum necessary to be raised the ensuing year, and nominating a Friend to serve as Treasurer and two Friends to act as Correspondents of this Meeting.

Second-day—Afternoon.

The Representatives reported that they had met as directed, and were united in proposing the name of Emmor Roberts for Clerk, and the names of Isaac H. Hillborn and Alfred Moore for Assistant Clerks, which on separate consideration were united with, and the Friends appointed to the respective services.

They further proposed the names of Friends to join a committee of Women's Meeting in auditing the accounts of the Treasurer, and in nominating a Treasurer and Correspondents for this Meeting, which were united with, and the Friends named appointed to the service.

The committee was requested to nominate a small committee to examine the accounts of the Trustees of the Bequest of John M. George, and of the Samuel Jeanes Fund, and of the Trustees of the Joseph Jeanes Fund, at dates to be selected by the Trustees near to but previous to the Meeting of the Yearly Meeting of 1898.

The Committee on George School presented the following report, which was read, considered, and approved. The committee was continued.

The Trustees of the Bequest of John M. George are authorized to pay to this committee as needed during

the coming year twenty thousand dollars of the income therefrom.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The school has been open for the usual length of time during the past year. There has been but little serious illness among the pupils and others residing there.

The class graduated in 1896 consisted of four boys and fourteen girls. The number of pupils enrolled during this year is 195, 168 of whom are boarders and 27 are day pupils, as follows:

Boarders who are members of our Society,	124
Boarders who have one parent a member,	40
Boarders who have neither parent a member,	4
Day pupils who are members,	1
Day pupils who have one parent a member,	3
Day pupils who have neither parent a member,	23

Of the boarders 86 are girls and 82 are boys. Of the day pupils 12 are girls and 15 are boys. The average age is about 17½ years.

There are 15 teachers, 12 of whom are members of our Society.

The Library contains 872 classified volumes of miscellaneous literature, 113 books of reference, and about 1,000 volumes, etc., of Friends' writings. Since the last report, 162 classified and reference books have been added to those parts of the Library. The Library is much used by the students, many of whom daily refer to it in the preparation of their lessons; and the effort is

constantly made to in this way train them in habits of self-help and voluntary investigation.

The progress of the pupils in the various lines of study has been encouraging, but deficiencies in the elementary training of many of those entering prevent results that might otherwise be attained.

On First-days when the weather is suitable, the students attend Friends' Meeting in Newtown. Those who, from illness, etc., cannot go, are accounted for, and a meeting is held for them at the school.

The boarding students are formed into First-day School classes, where they are engaged in study of the Scriptures and of the doctrines and testimonies of our religious Society. This work is supplemented by that of the Young Friends' Association of students and teachers, all being members.

We may also refer to the Penn and Whittier Literary Societies. These are composed of students, and are substantially directed by them, although some of the teachers are always in attendance at their sessions.

We wish to acknowledge the reception of gifts, books, etc., and of a valuable collection of minerals and fossils from interested friends.

Expenditures during the year, of the kind that have been taken out of the principal of the fund, have amounted to $336.39; this was for finishing the infirmary building, by painting the walls, and for work of a permanent character on the school grounds.

There was an error in the statement given a year ago of the results of the farming operations. The accounts now show a deficiency for year before last of $251.75,

and there was a deficiency for the year ending on the 1st inst. of $451.06. The farm has received credit for milk and other produce supplied, and for labor done for the school during the last year, to the amount of $2,039.42. We believe that the improvement in the condition of the farm is a full off-set to the losses as above stated.

Charles N. Thompson has been Treasurer and purchasing agent since Eighth month 1st. He resides at the school, keeping the books and accounts there, and assisting in various ways.

The following is a statement of the cash charges and credits during the year.

In charge of the Treasurer 4th mo. 1st, 1896		$7,726.16
In charge of the Principal 4th mo. 1st, 1896		200.00
In charge of the Farmer 4th mo. 1st, 1896		200.00
		$8,126.16
Received from the Trustees, of the income of fund		16,000.00
Received for tuition, etc		26,894.84
Received for interest on bank balances		32.82
		$51,053.82
Paid on account of grounds	47.00	
Paid on account of buildings	225.00	
Paid on account of furnishing	849.96	
Paid on account of farm	2,230.56	
Paid on account of school	39,463.82	
		42,816.34
Leaving a balance 4th mo. 1st, 1897		8,237.48

The total amount received from the Trustees has been $317,000.00, of which $236,000.00 was of the principal and $81,000.00 of the income of the fund.

The total expenditure on buildings and grounds has been $236,383.70.

The balance to the debit of furnishing account is $25,680.19, a further deduction of $2,159.15 having been made for depreciation. This amount is included in the expense of the school for the term 1895-6, as stated below.

The accounts for the school year ending Eighth month 1st, 1896, show:

Net expenses of the school	$44,590.64
Receipts on account of pupils	27,270.37
Deficiency made up from income of the endowment fund	$17,320.27

The expenses are estimated to have been for each boarding pupil $258.82, and for each day pupil $102.10.

We ask the Yearly Meeting to authorize the Trustees to pay over, as it may be needed during the coming year, $20,000.00 of the income of the fund.

On behalf of the Committee,

WM. P. BANCROFT, Clerk.

The Committee on Education and the Disposition of the Income from the Samuel Jeanes Fund produced the following report, which was read, considered, and generally united with. The committee was continued, encouraged to further labor, and authorized

to draw on the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for needful expenses.

The Trustees of the Samuel Jeanes Fund are directed to pay to this committee the income arising therefrom as it may be needed.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The committee to whom has been assigned the educational department of the work of the Yearly Meeting, together with the distribution of the income of the Samuel Jeanes Fund, has held eight meetings during the year in the discharge of its duties. Being deeply impressed with the additional responsibility which this large trust imposes, and anxious to follow out the wishes of the donor as far as possible, the work was divided into departments, and assigned to sub-committees, and circulars bearing information of the scope of each, were mailed to the correspondents of each Monthly Meeting and to the clerks of local school committees in order that Friends might avail themselves of the privileges extended, and come into closer touch with the committee.

Through these sub-committees aid has been extended to many of our schools, and in so doing the committee has endeavored to impress upon the local committees that this fund should as far as possible be used to increase the size and efficiency of the schools by reducing the cost of education to those who cannot afford to pay the full rates of tuition, and that care should be exercised that no Friends' children be neglected for want of

the necessary means to attend school. We are glad to report the beneficent effect of this measure in the enlargement and increased interest in many of our schools, some of them giving tuition to such children to an amount even greater than that received from the fund, in that quiet, kindly way so commendable.

Assistance has also been rendered to individual members in procuring the education needed for some desired business, by loaning small amounts without interest, the same to be returned by them as soon as able, that it may be placed in the hands of other deserving young persons for a similar purpose. The necessity of repaying the loan, it is hoped, will stimulate the energies and develop the sense of moral obligation much more than would the bestowal of the sum as a free gift.

Two educational conferences were held in Philadelphia, which, we believe, were occasions of profit. Were our local committees more largely represented at these meetings, we believe there would be a greater awakening to the need of advancement in educational work in order to keep abreast with the requirements of our day.

Sixty-four lectures on science and natural history have been given in the various Monthly and Preparative Meeting Schools, which have been well received, and attended with good results.

Under a concern to promote the spread of moral, scientific, and truthful literature, the sum of $200 was appropriated to increase the circulation of *Friends' Intelligencer and Journal,* subject to the united discretion of the publishers and a small committee from this body; and the sum of $350 was appropriated to the

Scattered Seeds, thus enabling the publishers to increase the size and efficiency of that periodical. A careful examination as to the workings of these gifts has already shown a marked effect for good.

One Preparative Meeting library and four First-day School libraries have been assisted to the extent of $25 each. This plan not proving entirely satisfactory, arrangements are now in progress by which literature of the character mentioned in the note accompanying the gift, will on application be furnished to First-day Schools and meetings through the system of traveling libraries, already in successful operation under the care of the Committee of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting on First-day Schools.

Thus have we endeavored to distribute this income, and if all desires have not been realized, we hope it will be remembered that this is but the commencement of what we trust may be a continued work, and that this means of extending our labors reached us at a time when there have been many demands in the work of education, and when the pressure of depressed surroundings has been so great that the struggle for the continuance of schools in many neighborhoods would have been almost impossible without this help.

We are led with thankful hearts to acknowledge the promptings of the Divine Master, who, we believe, impressed upon the donor of this munificent gift the need there was in this direction, and thus enables the Yearly Meeting to meet it. We feel that Friends are more desirous to avail themselves of the educational privileges afforded by our Society, and in making visits to the

schools, which is done by some members of the committee at least once during the year, we have endeavored to impress upon teachers and students that the Yearly Meeting is concerned for its membership, that it shall not lack in this wise attainment, as well as that it may be accompanied by that higher duty, the cultivation of the spirit-life.

Orders have been drawn on the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for $492.45.

There has been expended of the income fund the sum of $9,442.47.

LEWIS V. SMEDLEY, Clerk.

The Committee on Philanthropic Labor made the following report, which was read, considered, and united with. The committee was continued, encouraged, and authorized to draw on the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for necessary expenses.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Committee on Philanthropic Labor has continued the form of organization and practice of work during the past year as formerly, and its meetings have generally been well attended, and we think with profit. The new subjects referred to the committee last year, namely, Purity and Mission Work among Women and Children, were referred to appropriate sub-committees, and our labors therein will appear under those headings. In conjunction with the Committees on Education and First-day Schools, we made arrangements for holding

the various conferences at Swarthmore last summer. That upon Philanthropic Work was well attended, and the interest therein manifested ought to be productive of good results, not only to us, but also to all in whose cause we are working. During the year orders have been drawn on the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for $448.08.

The Committee on Arrangements for holding the conferences at Swarthmore refunded to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting $294.80 out of collections made for paying the expenses of holding the same.

The meetings of the Indian Committee have been regularly held. In our last report we stated that the Commissioner of Indian Affairs had offered us the appointment of a Field Matron among the Winnebago tribe. Shortly after this, the position of Field Matron was included under the Civil Service rules, and the offer was provisionally withdrawn. We have not yet secured a suitable person to take the Civil Service examination. The position is still unfilled, and we are looking for a suitable person to propose.

Instead of holding a public conference during the winter, as has sometimes been done, the annual meeting of the Indian Rights Association, on our invitation, was held in the Cherry Street Meeting-house. Several addresses were made by those actively interested in Indian work.

We have opened correspondence with Marguerite Diddock, an Omaha Indian who has recently been appointed Field Matron among the Omahas, with a view of giving her what assistance we can in her important work.

No drafts have been made during the year on the Coates Fund, at the disposal of the Indian Committee, in the hands of Thomas J. Husband, Treasurer, which now amounts to $228.00.

The sub-committee on Colored People has continued to give attention to the subject under its care. On Tenth month 31st, 1896, an appeal to Friends throughout our Yearly Meeting to contribute money, food, or clothing to the schools at Aiken and Mount Pleasant, S. C., was directed to be sent to the correspondents of all the Monthly Meetings. Responses to the return postal cards were received from thirty-one Monthly Meetings; twenty-one have committees to solicit aid, and ten have left it to individual effort.

Abby D. Munro, of the Laing Industrial School, writes "that the winter has not been severe, and the health of both teachers and pupils has been good. There was no outside work to claim their time and attention; hence the attendance has been so large that the school has been crowded to its utmost capacity all winter. There were three hundred pupils in regular attendance until the spring work began about Fourth month 1st.

They have secured the services of such teachers only as intend making teaching their profession, and are thereby enabled to retain them from year to year. Three of the teachers are from their own school.

In regard to funds she regrets to say that money has come in so slowly that they are in arrears to the amount of three hundred dollars. The teachers can ill afford to wait, as they have not only themselves but others to care for.

The Schofield Normal and Industrial School is doing the same earnest work as heretofore, with three hundred and forty-eight students enrolled, seventy-one being in the boarding department.

Last year a farm-house was erected by the students, at a cost of $1,500. Five or six boys live in it, and do the farm work, and cut and haul wood for the school fuel.

The visits of Friends have been highly appreciated, and they have been cheered by the earnest work of the pupils in the various departments.

Though these schools are non-sectarian, they were founded mainly by Friends, and have been so largely sustained by our Society in the past that we have grown to almost consider them a part of our philanthropic care.

May we hope for the time to come when our Yearly will set aside annually a sum from the treasury to meet these constantly recurring expenses, or will we allow these already over-taxed women to be weighed down by the effort to raise money for the running expenses of their schools?

While these colored schools of the South have claimed our thought to the largest extent, the people of our own localities have not been altogether neglected; an adult night school, kindergarten, and sewing schools have been reported by different meetings, and we also continue an interest in the College Settlement of Philadelphia.

Reports received from the various co-operating committees show that the interest in the cause of Temper-

ance still continues to make itself manifest. This has been done during the past year in a large degree by the continued practice of holding conferences. Prohibition, and the evils attending the liquor traffic, have generally been the phases of the subject that have been prominently touched upon, and the lukewarmness of professing Christians in taking an outspoken stand against the evils of the traffic has claimed much attention. Many believing that only by the use of the ballot can the suppression of the drink habit be accomplished.

The education of our young growing members on the subject of the injurious effects of alcohol has not been lost sight of, and at a number of the conferences the members of our First-day Schools take part by recitations and in preparing essays to be read therein. Outside of holding conferences some Friends work with kindred associations in their different localities in all movements favoring temperance. A deep concern still exists that we should all be good examples of the important testimony of our Society in regard to abstaining from any use of that which intoxicates.

About 58,000 pages of literature have been purchased for distribution, and in addition to this, part of the Lewis legacy has been used to purchase copies of the "Old Red School House," to be given to those First-day Schools that have no copy in their libraries, and also to collect copies of the works of Dr. Benjamin W. Richardson to be kept for reference, by being placed in the library at Fifteenth and Race Streets, Philadelphia. The Young Friends' Temperance Literary Societies continue their regular meetings, and in their quiet manner are working as opportunity occurs.

The Reading Room for boys in West Philadelphia has been in operation during the winter months, and is well attended. An attempt has been made to carry on a similar work at Friends' Mission No. 1, Fairmount Avenue and Beach Streets, Philadelphia, but the work has been hampered by the lack of interested workers; the material is there, but as said by Jesus to his followers, "the laborers are few." Both of these fields offer an opportunity for those who wish to engage in the work of helping those who are not so favorably situated as themselves.

Letters were sent to the chairman of the Committee on Rules and Public Grounds and Buildings of the United States Senate, asking for consideration and action on the House Bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drink in the Capitol Buildings. The bill was not reached by the Senate.

Increasing activity is reported in the work of education on the subject of Tobacco; a number of conferences have been held, and addressed by those who could understandingly give scientific reasons for its harmful effects upon not only its users, but also their descendants.

In Philadelphia a concern was expressed in regard to the use of tobacco in market houses, and a protest against the non-enforcement of the rule, "No smoking during market hours," was prepared, and is to be sent to the boards of directors of the different market houses in that city.

Petitions advocating the passage of laws to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes, and prohibiting

the use of public money in furnishing tobacco in any form as a necessary of life to the inmates of public institutions of the State, were prepared, signed, and presented to the Legislatures of the States of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Reports from the various members of the Committee on Improper Publications indicate a more active interest taken in the work, and show an increase in the distribution of temperance, anti-tobacco, and other good literature in several colored and First-day Schools. A circular letter was prepared and sent to the several Monthly Meetings, requesting them to appoint committees to circulate good reading matter among Friends and others, and more especially to collect copies of the *Intelligencer and Journal* from subscribers who were willing to loan or give them away, and distribute them among those who could not afford to subscribe, to which twenty meetings have responded, and these replies give encouragement to the committee, as they show that many are willing to co-operate in this work. Good literature of various kinds has been distributed among Friends and others, amounting to 2,600 magazines and 1,800 pages of other reading matter. A large amount is still on hand waiting to be sent to those desiring it.

Three Indian Schools have been remembered with children's magazines and pictures.

Committee on Law and Newspapers reported individual work, and much approval was expressed in reference to the attitude taken by the *Public Ledger* of Philadelphia in regard to the recent prize-fight, and the clerk

was directed to convey to the editors of this paper our appreciation.

The Committee on Purity, having been organized the present year, are unable to give substantial results of its work, but have endeavored to have the subject introduced throughout the Yearly Meeting.

Acting upon the suggestion of Aaron M. Powell, Superintendent on Purity of the Philanthropic Union, Quarterly Meetings were recommended to appoint committee or superintendent on this subject where one had not been appointed. Replies received from all except Philadelphia, Abington, Haddonfield, and Fishing Creek show that the matter would be considered by either the meeting or its Philanthropic Committee.

One meeting on the subject was held both in Bucks and Salem Quarters, while Sadsbury Monthly Meeting reports a very profitable one addressed by Professor Green, of West Chester.

Judicious lectures upon this subject are recommended to be given at schools under care of Friends, and letters have been written to several of the schools. In reply thereto, the Committee on Instruction of the George School have decided to do as recommended, and at Moorestown School cordial support has been given the course advised.

Five hundred copies of a pamphlet, published by the Committee on Philanthropic Labor of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, were purchased, and are being distributed. It contained articles upon Purity by Dr. Willis Mills and Dr. O. Edward Janney.

The committee unite in recommending *The Philan-*

thropist, edited by Aaron M. and Anna Rice Powell, to be widely circulated among our members as the leading paper on this subject. We also take the liberty of reminding Friends of the necessity of being very particular in appointment to positions in the meeting, and give character and conduct equal weight with religious profession. The young are quick to detect hypocrisy, and if we wish them to lead pure lives they must be given pure examples.

While the Committee on Peace and Arbitration feels that there has been but little that it has taken hold of, yet it has not been insensible to the condition of the world in its failure to see that "Swords should be beaten into plow-shares, and spears into pruning hooks."

The introduction of military training into the Public Schools of Philadelphia, having twice been before the Board of Education of that county for its approval, committees have been appointed by the Friends of that Quarter to act with members of this committee in presenting to the Board our earnest disapproval of any action toward military training of boys attending schools supported by public money.

The Board has received and listened courteously to our delegations, and while no action has yet been taken for its introduction, the pressure for its approval is very strong and well organized, and we feel that we must be ever watchful to meet the first advances with our protest, and with the reason for our bearing such testimony, which is surely one of the fundamental principles of our Society.

In connection with Friends of Arch Street Meeting,

a joint conference was held at Twelfth Street Meeting-house, Philadelphia, Second month 23d, 1897, to voice our approval and sympathy with the Arbitration Treaty now before the United States Senate, and asking for ratification to carry into effect such a principle of settling all difficulties that might arise between us and Great Britain. Under the care of our Philanthropic Committee a number of Conferences have been held, which had the subject for consideration, and we trust on the whole that we have been in a measure enabled to do some little good.

Salem Quarter reports active work being done through papers prepared and read before large conferences; "Peace Day," observed through the request of the W. C. T. U., in our First-day Schools by texts and readings upon the subject; also a number of letters written to our representatives at Washington, urging the passage of the "mutilated and delayed Treaty on Arbitration."

We have little organized work to report on the subject of mission work among women and children. Individually the members have worked in the following societies in the City of Philadelphia, besides visiting sick and neglected families, both in and out of our Society:

Central Employment Association; Friends' Fuel Association; Friends' Home for Children; Temporary Home for Women and Children; Fifteenth Ward Association for Organized Charity; Place Society, Eastern Penitentiary; Beach Street Mission Sewing School; College Settlement, University Extension; Bainbridge Centre for Colored People; The Starr Saving Bank; Coal Club at College Settlement; Penn Sewing School.

Friends, belonging to Philadelphia Quarter, interested in the enlightenment of thoughtful persons in the education of children physically, mentally, and morally, have formed a Women's Home Influence Association, which holds meetings at Fifteenth and Race Streets for that object. A number of papers on the subject have been read, and the discussions that follow show a deep interest in the work. A sewing school is also carried on at Trenton Meeting, Burlington Quarter, and they seem to enter into the work there with an earnest zeal, trying to cast into the lot of those less fortunate some few rays of sunshine.

Signed for and on behalf of the Committee,

JAMES H. ATKINSON,
ELEANOR K. RICHARDS, } Clerks.

Philadelphia, Fourth month 24th, 1897.

Eleventh of the Month and Third of the Week.

The Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of Ohio, Indiana, and Genesee were read, and deliberately considered.

(For the Epistles see Appendix, commencing at page 85.)

The Committee on the Joseph Jeanes Fund made the following report, which was read, considered, and adopted. The committee was continued, and authorized to draw on the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for necessary expenses.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The committee appointed at your last session, to have control and care of the Joseph Jeanes Fund, makes the following report:

We have held five meetings since our appointment; have organized our committee, and adopted the following plan for the administration of the fund committed to our care, viz.:

First. That a committee of two Friends to be appointed from each Quarterly Meeting, together with five other Friends from the general committee without regard to Quarterly Meeting representation, except that no Quarterly Meeting shall have more than three members on this committee, shall constitute an executive committee, whose duty shall be to carefully investigate all applications for aid, and to distribute the income arising from the Fund.

All applications for assistance to be made to this executive committee; the executive committee to appoint from its number suitable persons to draw upon the Trustees of the Fund from time to time in favor of the clerks or Treasurers of the proper committees of the several Quarterly Meetings and of the Half-Year's Meeting for such sums as the committee may direct.

Second. That the general committee shall meet at least twice a year, on the first Sixth-days of the Fifth and Eleventh months, and that the executive committee make a written report of these meetings, which reports shall contain an itemized account of all its expenditures and proceedings during the interval between the meetings, and that special meetings of the general committee

shall be called at any time by the clerk thereof on the written request of five members of the committee.

Third. That the income arising from the Fund for the year ending Fifth month 1st, 1897, be distributed on the basis of the percentage that each Quarterly and Half-Year Meeting contributes to the Yearly Meeting stock, viz.:

Philadelphia	20 per cent.
Abington	14½ per cent.
Bucks	14½ per cent.
Concord	14½ per cent.
Caln	2 per cent.
Western	13½ per cent.
Southern	2 per cent.
Burlington	5 per cent.
Haddonfield	6 per cent.
Salem	7 per cent.
Fishing Creek	1 per cent.

That any unappropriated quota arising from the non-establishment of a home, shall be and remain a part of a reserve fund, the reserve fund to be held at the disposal of the executive committee.

This adjustment to be subject to change from year to year according to the requirements and the amount of income to be distributed.

The Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting has paid over to the Trustees appointed for that purpose, the sum of $200,000, being the whole of the Joseph Jeanes donation, and the money has all been invested in satisfactory mortgages by the Trustees.

The sum of $5,288.05 of net income thereon has been

collected, and we have, through our executive committee, directed the payment therefrom of $2,617.59 to the Boarding Home Committees of four of our constituent Quarterly Meetings, viz.:

Abington	$766.77
Bucks	766.77
Concord	766.77
Haddonfield	317.28

This distribution is in accordance with the scale of percentage or quotas adopted by us in our plan of administration, and we believe that most of the remaining income so far collected will, in the near future, be applied for. Boarding Homes have been established, and are now in operation in all the Quarterly Meetings to which appropriations of income have been made, and we are informed that several others are to be opened within the current year.

We have concluded that eighty per cent. of the income of the Fund to be received during the year ending Fifth month 1st, 1898, shall be distributed according to the quotas adopted for last year's income, and that the distribution of the remaining twenty per cent. be left under the control of the executive committee.

The expenses of this committee during the past year have been $35.27.

WM. T. HILLIARD,
SARAH J. ASH, } Clerks.

Fifth month 7th, 1897.

Third-day—Afternoon.

The Committee on the Subject of First-day Schools presented the following report, which was read and approved. The committee was continued, encouraged to further labor, and authorized to draw upon the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for necessary expenses.

To the Yearly Meeting:

We are gratified to be able to report that the First-day School work progresses favorably throughout the various sections, they all having reported at one or all of the several meetings of this committee during the year.

Cheering information is received from a number of the sections of a marked increase of attendance and renewed interest, while discouragement is noted in but very few. A decrease in numbers is shown in the statistical report, but this is confined to a few individual schools, and seems to be due to temporary causes.

A helpful feature of the work is the visiting of other schools, which has been done to a greater extent this year than formerly. In one Quarter this is accomplished by committees appointed by the different Monthly Meetings, to the refreshment and advantage of those visited. One of our largest schools organized within the year a Visiting Committee, which has been very active in the pursuance of its duties. This loving intercourse among our schools we feel to be of especial value, and its extension we desire to encourage.

There comes from many Quarters the report of faith-

fulness and regularity in attendance on the part of those engaged, both of which we recognize as essential to the advancement of the work, while renewed interest and zeal are apparent in many. Bible study is engaging a number of classes in our schools, it is believed to much profit.

In several of the sections mention is made of considerable addition to the membership of the meeting, which they believe is traceable to the schools and Friends' associations. Many of these who have thus become members, requested for themselves, being of a suitable age to do so.

The committee feels that there is a leaven of more than usual energy at work, which we trust will leaven the whole.

The value of good reading matter for the young is still before us, and is esteemed an important part of our labor; hence we are hoping to increase the number and efficiency of the circulating libraries which have been doing their work for three years, and are thankfully accepted.

All the meetings of this committee are characterized by a seriousness which evidences a realization of the importance of this branch of the work of our Religious Society, and that it cannot be lightly entered upon nor profitably conducted without seeking for a qualification from the Divine Source of light and wisdom.

Reports show that there are seventy-five schools within our limits, two of which are mission. Three schools in Western Union have not reported; the remaining seventy-two send the following statistics:

5,555 pupils are enrolled. They have 639 officers and teachers, 624 of whom are members; 2,280 of the number enrolled are adults; 2,748 of the pupils enrolled are members; 631 have one parent a member; 21,666 books are in the libraries. Six of our schools have no Committees of Oversight.

Expenses amounting to $32.74 have been incurred by the committee, for which draft has been made on the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Committee.

MARY MCALLISTER,
WM. W. BIRDSALL, } Clerks.

Fifth month 1st, 1897.

The First Query was read with the answers from constituent meetings, and weightily considered. A summary answer was also read and adopted as follows:

Answer to First Query.

Our religious meetings for worship and discipline have, with some omissions mentioned in nine of the reports, been regularly held; those on First-days have been attended by many of our members. Those at other times have been with some exceptions small.

The hour has been nearly observed. The behavior of those assembled has been very generally becoming.

The following minute was received from Women's Meeting:

"It was proposed and united with that this Yearly Meeting should present to the Board of Education of the City of Philadelphia, a minute expressing our earnest protest against the introduction of military training in our Public Schools."

It was read, and fully united with, and a committee was appointed to join a committee of Women's Meeting in the preparation of a suitable minute.

Twelfth of the Month and Fourth of the Week.

The Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Queries were read, with the answers received thereto. Summary answers were also read and adopted.

Answer to Second Query.

Love and unity have been generally maintained amongst us. Tale-bearing and detraction have been mostly discouraged. When differences have arisen, and become known, endeavors have been used to end them.

Answer to Third Query.

A testimony in favor of a free ministry of the Gospel and against the system of a professional ministry appears to have been generally maintained.

Answer to Fourth Query.

Many Friends have endeavored to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech, behavior, and

apparel, encouraged the frequent reverent reading of the Holy Scriptures, and discouraged pernicious reading and the corrupt influences of the world, and have desired to be good examples in these particulars, but a more general care in the several requirements of this Query would have been desirable.

Answer to Fifth Query.

So far as known Friends have been very nearly clear of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, and with a few exceptions have been clear of their use as a drink, and of signing applications for license to sell. One case has been reported of property being rented for their sale. Caution has been observed in their use as medicine. The unnecessary frequenting of taverns has been generally avoided. Endeavors have been used to guard against the attendance of places of harmful diversion. Moderation and simplicity at marriages, funerals, and other occasions have been encouraged.

Fourth-day—Afternoon.

The Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Queries, with the answers thereto, were read and considered. Summary answers were also read and adopted.

Answer to Sixth Query.

Care has been taken to assist members in need. Opportunity has been afforded for the instruction of their

children to fit them for self-support. No cases are reported of children being placed from amongst Friends.

Answer to Seventh Query.

Friends have been mostly careful to live within their means; to avoid vain display, and to observe moderation in conducting business, generally punctual to promises, and just in the payment of debts. Some care has been taken respecting those who have given grounds for concern on these accounts.

Answer to Eighth Query.

Care has mostly been taken to treat with offenders in the spirit of meekness, and restoring love in order for their help, endeavoring to reach judgment in the authority of truth.

Answer to Ninth Query.

Our testimony in favor of peace and arbitration, and against oaths and all forms of lotteries and gambling, has been in a good degree maintained.

Answer to Tenth Query.

Care has been taken to record each birth, death, and removal that has occurred among our members during the past year. Records or duplicates of all marriage certificates have been made and preserved. Care has been taken to deposit all completed record books in places of safety approved by the Meetings.

A proposition was made that a statistical report of membership of the different Monthly Meetings within the limits of this Yearly Meeting shall hereafter be annually made through the Quarterly Meetings. On consideration the proposition was united with, and the Representative Committee is accordingly requested to prepare and forward the proper forms for the purpose.

Thirteenth of the Month and Fifth of the Week.

The minutes of the Representative Committee were read, and their labors approved. By the reports from constituent meetings, it appears that the following named Friends have been appointed to compose this committee the present year.

PHILADELPHIA.

Alfred Moore.....300 Girard Building, Phila.
Edmund Webster .....1156 S. Broad St., Phila.
Jane P. Grahame.....1 Cresheim Road, Germantown, Phila.
Sarah Griscom.....622 Marshall St., Phila.

ABINGTON.

Nathaniel Richardson...Byberry, Phila.
Benjamin F. Penrose....Ogontz, Pa.
Elizabeth W. Hallowell..Meadowbrook, Mont. Co., Pa.
Elizabeth H. Comly.....Horsham, Pa.

BUCKS.

David Satterthwaite.....Fallsington, Pa.
John K. Scarborough....Pineville, Pa.
Anna Jane Williams.....Holicong, Pa.
Elizabeth S. Satterthwaite Langhorne, Pa.

CONCORD.

J. Hibberd Bartram .....Milltown, Pa.
Rolph M. Harvey .....Ward, Pa.
Martha Dodgson.....Darby, Pa.
Rachel W. Hillborn .....Swarthmore, Pa.

CALN.

Benjamin Martin .....Downingtown, Pa.
Nathan Maule.....Lenover, Pa.
Carolein Hayes .....Embreeville, Pa.
Mary A. Moore.....Atglen, Pa.

WESTERN.

Bennett S. Walton .....London Grove, Pa.
William Webster.....Ercildoun, Pa.
Sarah Ann Conard.....West Grove, Pa.
Sarah A. Wilkinson .....Unionville, Pa.

SOUTHERN.

Daniel C. Cowgill .....Dover, Del.
Robert B. Dixon .....Easton, Md.
S. Amanda Dixon .....Easton, Md.
Elizabeth B. Turner.....Betterton, Md.

BURLINGTON.

Peter E. Harvey .....Columbus, N. J.
Franklin S. Zelley .....Jacksonville, N. J.
Priscilla H. Clothier ....Mount Holly, N. J.
Mary P. South .....Trenton, N. J.

HADDONFIELD.

Emmor Roberts .....Fellowship, N. J.
Josiah Rogers.....Lumberton, N. J.
Lucy S. Cooper .....633 Penn St., Camden, N. J.
Annie Cooper Lippincott Riverton, N. J.

SALEM.

Mark R. Dare.....Greenwich, N. J.
Job S. Haines.....Mickleton, N. J.
Elizabeth J. Acton.....Salem, N. J.
Mary E. Borton .....Woodstown, N. J.

FISHING CREEK.

J. Barton Eves.....Millville, Pa.
David Masters .....3308 Baring St., Phila.
R. Anna Kester.....Mordansville, Pa.
Anna Kester .....3225 Woodland Ave., Phila.

The names and addresses of Correspondents who have been appointed for subordinate Meetings were directed to be printed with the Extracts.

(For list of these see page 132.)

The Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, and Fourteenth Queries were read, with the answers thereto, and duly considered. Summary answers were also read and adopted.

Answer to Eleventh Query.

As reported, there are 78 First-day Schools held in connection with our Meetings. They have been conducted in accordance with our principles and testimonies. They have been attended by 5,289 pupils, 2,889 of whom were members, and 623 had one parent a member. 2,261 were adults. 606 persons were engaged as officers and teachers, of whom 519 were members. There were 20,126 books in the libraries. 76 of these schools are under the care of Preparative or Monthly Meetings.

Answer to Twelfth Query.

By reports received, we have 33 schools established amongst us for the education of our children, superintended by committees appointed in our business meetings. They have been taught by 161 teachers, 104 of whom were members, and 261 had one parent a member. The teachers and pupils of 32 of these schools attended mid-week meetings.

Answer to Thirteenth Query.

No new meetings have been established.

In Philadelphia Quarterly Meeting:

The First-day evening meetings are now held on alter-

nate months at Race Street, Green Street, and Girard Avenue, except when there is a fifth First-day in the month, when the meeting is held in West Philadelphia.

All meetings held at Merion now convene at 10.30 o'clock.

In Bucks Quarterly Meeting:

The time of holding the Preparative Meeting at Buckingham has been changed from the Fifth-day preceding the Monthly Meeting to the First-day preceding the same at the rise of the meeting for worship.

Makefield Preparative Meeting is now held at the close of the meeting for worship on the First-day preceding the Monthly Meeting.

The Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders at Bristol is held at the rise of the Monthly Meeting preceding the Quarterly Meeting.

In Concord Quarterly Meeting:

The First-day evening meeting at Wilmington has been discontinued.

The time of holding West Chester Preparative Meeting has been changed from the evening to the morning of Fourth-day at the close of the meeting for worship.

In Southern Quarterly Meeting:

Tuckahoe Neck Preparative Meeting has been laid down, and the members jonied to Third Haven Preparative Meeting.

In Burlington Quarterly Meeting:

The meetings of Old Springfield have been changed to once a month during the winter season. Preparative and Monthly Meetings are continued as usual.

In Haddonfield Quarterly Meeting:

Medford Monthly Meeting is now held in joint session, and the Preparative Meetings are held on the Fifth-day preceding the first Second-day in the Third, Sixth, Ninth, and Twelfth months.

Answer to Fourteenth Query.

They are read and answered as directed.

Fourteenth of the Month and Sixth of the Week.

The committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurer's account, etc., made the following report, which was read and adopted. The Friends therein named for Treasurer, Correspondents, and Auditor were united with, and appointed to the respective services. The Quarterly Meetings were directed to pay their quotas of the sum of $2,500 to be raised for the use of the Meeting to Edmund Webster, Treasurer, No. 1156 South Broad Street, Philadelphia.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurer's account, met with nearly all the members

present. Upon comparing the account with the orders and vouchers it was found correct, showing a balance due the meeting of $3,894.01, which is deposited in the Fidelity Trust and Safe Deposit Company of Philadelphia, to the credit of Edmund Webster, Treasurer.

Receipts have been as follows:

Fifth month 13th, 1896. To balance on hand	$2,586.73
Interest on the Sarah Zane Legacy	60.00
Interest on deposits	48.73
Friends' Conference at Swarthmore, Philanthropic Committee for printing reports	294.80
Quotas from Quarterly Meetings	3,000.00
Total	$5,990.26

Expenditures as follows:

Orders of the Representative Committee	$751.34
Orders of the Educational Committee	823.07
Orders of the Philanthropic Committee	448.08
Orders of the First-day School Committee	32.74
Orders of the Committee on Homes	41.02
Total	$2,096.25
Fifth month 11th, 1897, balance due the Yearly Meeting	3,894.01
	$5,990.26

The Deborah Foreman Legacy of $285.00, with the accumulated interest is deposited in the Philadelphia Saving Fund. The interest on this legacy is subject

only to orders drawn by the Standing Committee of Women's Meeting.

Balance on deposit, Fifth month 13th, 1896....	$305.45
Interest added, Fourth month 10th, 1897.....	9.17
	$314.62
Third month 3d, 1897, paid to Sarah Griscom..	10.00
Fifth month 11th, 1897, balance on deposit....	$304.62

The Sarah Zane Legacy of $1,200.00 is invested in a bond and mortgage on city property. All the matured interest has been collected.

The committee recommend that the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars be raised the ensuing year.

They are united in proposing the name of Edmund Webster for Treasurer of this meeting. They also propose the names of Alfred Moore, 300 Girard Building, Philadelphia, Pa., and Anne M. Griscom, 622 Marshall Street, Philadelphia, Pa., as correspondents.

The committee propose as auditors the following Friends: Howard M. Cooper, William T. Hilliard, Wesley Haldeman, Rachel W. Hillborn, Mary McAllister, and Cynthia S. Holcomb, who shall examine the accounts and securities of all trustees at a date to be fixed by said trustees near to, but previous to the assembling of the Yearly Meeting of 1898, and report to that meeting.

WM. T. HILLIARD,
EDITH K. BUSHONG, } Clerks,

Fifth month 12th, 1897.

The Committee on Distant and Isolated Members made the following report, which was read and approved.

Elizabeth Lloyd therein presented as Correspondent for this Yearly Meeting concerning its distant and isolated members, was united with, and she appointed to the service. The Representative Committee was authorized to draw on the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for its necessary expenses.

To the Yearly Meeting:

This committee has held two meetings since the last report. Bills to the amount of $3.77 have been approved, and directed to be presented to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

The following plan was agreed upon for the distribution of the pamphlets containing the addresses of the isolated members of the various Yearly Meetings:

1. That enough copies be placed in the hands of the correspondent of each Quarterly Meeting belonging to Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, so that two copies may be placed in each meeting-house within the limits of this Yearly Meeting to be kept there for reference.

2. That the correspondents of other Yearly Meetings be informed that copies will be sent them for distribution in the same way if they will pay the expressage.

3. That a copy of this pamphlet be sent to some Friend at each post-office where five or more Friends reside.

4. That any individual desiring it may obtain a copy

of this pamphlet by sending two two-cent stamps to the Friends' Book Association, Fifteenth and Race Streets, Philadelphia.

The pamphlets have been distributed in accordance with these suggestions. If any meetings have failed to receive the copies to which they are entitled, they may obtain them of the Friends' Book Association, which still has a supply on hand.

This committee earnestly recommends to the Monthly Meetings a careful attention to the correspondence with absent members, as enjoined on page 98 of our Book of Discipline.

In order that the work done by this committee may not be allowed to lapse, it is recommended that a person be appointed as correspondent concerning isolated members, whose duty it shall be to obtain yearly from the correspondents of the various Monthly Meetings belonging to this Yearly Meeting, revised lists of the names and addresses of their isolated members, these lists to be published at such times and in such manner as the Yearly Meeting may direct. For this service we propose the name of Elizabeth Lloyd, subject to the approval of the Yearly Meeting.

Feeling that the work for which it was appointed has been performed, as far as way opened, the committee now asks to be released.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

ISAAC EYRE,
MARTHA DODGSON, } Clerks.

Phila., Fifth month 10th, 1897.

The committee appointed at a former sitting to prepare a suitable minute to be presented to the Board of Education of the City of Philadelphia, expressive of the sentiments of this Meeting in reference to the introduction of military training in the Public Schools, presented the following report, which was read and adopted.

To the Yearly Meeting:

We have learned with great regret of the continued effort to introduce the system of military drill into the schools under your care.

Remembering the peaceful policy inaugurated by the founder of this city and commonwealth, the beneficial results which flowed from the adherence to that policy during the space of nearly a hundred years, mindful of our responsibility as citizens, and of the testimony of our Religious Society, we feel it our duty to enter our earnest protest against the proposed action.

We respectfully represent that training for war is not a part of the appropriate work of the Public Schools; that it is contrary to the convictions of many citizens, and calculated to distract and hinder, rather than promote the cause of education.

We believe that the growth of militarism is a menace to free institutions, and therefore to be discouraged instead of being promoted, and that any seeming advantages alleged to accrue from subjecting boys to military discipline are far outweighed by its objectionable results.

The responsibilities of the twentieth century are to rest upon the school-boys of to-day. They should be trained to promote and to expect the triumph of that peaceable spirit, that sweet reasonableness which will remove the most fertile causes of strife, while it will provide the most satisfactory method of adjusting unavoidable disputes. To make them familiar with the preparations for war, to cultivate in them a fondness for the pomp and display which accompany it, tends in the opposite direction, and must foster a spirit which, in our judgment, is contrary to those fundamental principles upon which Christian society is founded.

With this brief and imperfect expression of a weighty concern which has prevailed in our body, we earnestly commend the whole subject to your deliberate and solemn consideration.

The Clerks were directed to sign and present a copy of this minute to the Board of Education.

An Epistle addressed to all Meetings bearing the name of Friends and members composing them, from the Friends who held their Yearly Meeting in the City of Philadelphia last month, was read at this time.

A Memorial concerning our deceased friend, Joel Lare, prepared by the ministers and elders of Gwynedd Monthly Meeting, approved by Gwynedd Monthly Meeting and by Abington Quarterly Meeting, and introduced by the Representative Committee, was

read, approved, directed to be recorded and printed with the Extracts.

Sixth-day—Afternoon.

The eighth annual report of the Trustees of the Bequest of John M. George, the second annual report of the Trustees of the Samuel Jeanes Fund, and the first annual report of the Trustees of the Joseph Jeanes Fund, duly audited by the Auditors appointed by this Meeting, were read and approved.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BEQUEST OF JOHN M. GEORGE, DECEASED.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Fifth month 9th, 1896. Balance of securities and cash in our hands reported to the Yearly Meeting of 1896, and approved by Auditing Committee.....		$445,100.27
Twelfth month 31st, 1896. Interest on deposits allowed by Girard Life Insurance, Annuity & Trust Co.....	$161.30	
Fifth month 1st, 1897. Land Title & Trust Co.....	183.64	
Total interest on deposits..	$344.94	

Interest on mortgages from Fifth month 9th, 1896, to Fifth month 5th, 1897.....	20,908.08	
Total receipts of income for the year	$21,253.02	
We have expended on account of the year's income the following sums:		
Clerk's salary $300.00		
Rent of Safe Deposit Box 5.00		
Incidentals 20.25		
	325.25	
		$20,927.77
		$166,028.04
We have paid out on drafts of the general committee the follow sums:		
Sixth month 9th, 1896. On account of income	$6,000.00	
Ninth month 31st, 1896. On account of income	3,000.00	
Twelfth month 30th, 1896. On account of income	1,000.00	
Third month 27th, 1897. On account of income	6,000.00	
		$16,000.00
Balance of securities and cash in our hands		$150,028.04

The above balance consists of:

Bonds and mortgages.....	$418,550.00	
Cash	31,478.04	
		$450,028.04

And is composed of:

Principal	$407,342.22	
Income	42,685.82	
		$450,028.04

Since Fifth month 9th, 1896, mortgages to the total amount of $30,900 have been paid off, and the sum of $35,100 has been invested by the Trustees.

Arrears of interest on mortgages of the Trust at the date of this report amount to $1,488.36.

ALFRED MOORE,
FRANKLIN W. HALLOWELL,
EDWARD ATKINSON,
JOSEPH T. BUNTING,
THOMAS BAKER,
BENNETT S. WALTON,
DAVID MASTERS,
} Trustees.

Phila., Fifth month 5th, 1897.

The eighth annual report of the Trustees of the Bequest of John M. George, deceased, which is hereto appended, together with the securities and cash, have been examined by the undersigned, auditors appointed by the Yearly Meeting for that purpose, and found correct.

T. OGBORN ATKINSON,
HOWARD M. COOPRR,
WILLIAM T. HILLIARD,
RACHEL W. HILLBORN,
MARY MCALLISTER,
CYNTHIA S. HOLCOMB.

Fifth month 5th, 1897.

The Second Annual Report of the Trustees of the Samuel Jeanes Fund.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Fifth month 9th, 1896. Balance of securities and cash in our hands reported to the Yearly Meeting of 1896, and approved by Auditing Committee.....		$202,963.65
Fifth month 2d, 1897. Interest on deposits allowed by Fidelity Trust Co.	$51.46	
Interest on mortgages from Fifth month 9th, 1896, to Fifth month 5th, 1897.....	9,727.69	
		9,779.15
Total receipts of income for the year....		$212,742.80
During the year we have paid out the following sums on orders of the Committee on Education and Schools:		
Seventh month 18th, 1896. Edmund Webster, Treasurer....	$3,000	
Tenth month 6th, 1896. Edmund Webster, Treasurer....	2,000	
Twelfth month 7th, 1896. Edmund Webster, Treasurer....	2,000	
First month 26th, 1897. Edmund Webster, Treasurer....	2,000	
Third month 24th, 1897. Edmund Webster, Treasurer....	1,000	
Total	**$10,000**	

We have also paid out for expenses of the Trust:			
Clerk's Salary	$300.00		
Rent of Safe Room....	5.00		
Incidentals	33.50		
		$338.50	
			$10,338.50
Leaving a balance in our hands of.....			$202,404.30
Composed of bonds and mortgages.....			$200,000.00
Cash			2,404.30
			$202,404.30

Since Fifth month 9th, 1896, one mortgage for $1,400 was paid off, and the same amount has been reinvested by the Trustees.

All interest due up to Fifth month 5th, 1897, has been paid except $449.20.

ALFRED MOORE,
FRANKLIN W. HALLOWELL,
EDWARD ATKINSON,
JOSEPH T. BUNTING,
THOMAS BAKER,
BENNETT S. WALTON,
DAVID MASTERS,
Trustees.

Phila., Fifth month 5th, 1897.

The second annual report of the Trustees of the Samuel Jeanes Fund, which is hereto appended, together with the securities and cash, have been exam-

ined by the undersigned, auditors appointed by the Yearly Meeting for that purpose, and found correct.

T. Ogborn Atkinson,
William T. Hilliard,
Rachel W. Hillborn,
Mary McAllister,
Cynthia S. Holcomb.

Dated Fifth month 5th, 1897.

The First Annual Report of the Trustees of the Joseph Jeanes Fund.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Pursuant to the direction of the Yearly Meeting, Edmund Webster, Treasurer, paid over to us on Fifth month 26th, 1896, the principal of this fund, amounting to two hundred thousand dollars, together with the interest which had accrued thereon while the same was on deposit to his credit.

In pursuance of our appointment, we proceeded to invest the principal in real estate securities as proper applications were presented. We have been occupied in this labor almost up to the date of this report. We now report the work accomplished, and that the whole fund has been invested in 89 mortgages of real estate located in the State of Pennsylvania, and one on real estate located in the State of New Jersey.

A semi-annual payment of interest has matured on 61 of these mortgages, and all of the interest which has become due up to the date of this report, has been paid in full.

We submit the following account:

Fifth month 26th, 1896.

Received from Edmund Webster, Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting	$200,000.00
Interest on fund while deposited in Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities to the credit of Edmund Webster, Treasurer	155.71
Fifth month 1st, 1897.	
Interest on deposit, account of Trustees with the Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities	1,233.10
Fifth month 4th, 1897.	
Interest on mortgages to date	4,233.59
Total receipts	$205,622.40
We have invested the principal in bonds and mortgages to the amount of	$200,000.00
Leaving the total receipts of income to date	5,622.40
We have paid out on account of income the following sums:	
Clerk's salary	$300.00

Incidentals	34.35	
		334.35
Balance of cash in our hands		5,288.05
Bonds and mortgages		200,000.00
		$205,288.05

HARRISON STREETER,
ANNE M. GRISCOM,
T. OGBORN ATKINSON,
ANNA M. BUNTING,
NAOMI WALTER,
MARY S. PARRY,
JOSEPH T. BUNTING,
Trustees.

Phila., Fifth month 5th, 1897.

The first annual report of the Trustees of the Joseph Jeanes Fund, which is hereto appended, together with the securities and cash, have been examined by the undersigned, auditors appointed by the Yearly Meeting for that purpose, and found correct.

WILLIAM T. HILLIARD,
RACHEL W. HILLBORN,
MARY MCALLISTER,
CYNTHIA S. HOLCOMB.

Dated Fifth month 5th, 1897.

The committee appointed in 1896 to advise and assist Edward M. Paxson in reference to the disposition of certain legacies contained in the will of Mathias Hutchinson, presented the following report, which was read and approved, and the committee released.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The committee appointed last year to advise and assist Edward M. Paxson in the application of certain legacies mentioned in the will of Mathias Hutchinson, report:

That at the convenience of Edward M. Paxson they met and conferred with him pursuant to their appointment.

He has decided to appropriate the sum to be applied by him for the benefit of the Indians to the payment of the expenses of a Field Matron, and to appropriate the amount to be applied by him to the education of the Freedmen and women lately held in bondage in the Southern States to the payment of the salary of a teacher in the Schofield School at Aiken, S. C.

On behalf of the Committee,

ALFRED MOORE,
ANNIE SHOEMAKER.

Fourth month 12th, 1897.

The committee appointed to prepare as way opened, an Epistle in answer to those received, produced an essay, which was read and united with. The Clerk

was directed to sign on behalf of the Meeting, and forward a copy thereof to each of the Yearly Meetings with which we correspond.

The following, embracing some of the exercises of the Meeting, was read and approved:

In the early gathering of our meetings we were feelingly reminded of the need of the true Pilot being on board our vessel, that we may be rightly guided, and that as we assemble around the table for our annual feast, we might bring thankful and appreciative hearts for the many blessings which it is ours to enjoy.

Friends were cited to the remembrance that we should be as pure as we expect our sisters to be; that purity of life was not only the basis of the happy home, but also of the prosperous nation. That the foundation of this is laid in early childhood, and parents should ever seek to win the confidence which children instinctively feel for those who rightfully exercise a care over them. Our powers were all given of God for His holy purposes, and the instruction of our children should not be left to those whose influence would tend to degrade those sacred gifts.

The meeting was brought under much exercise, that we might firmly adhere to our testimony in reference to the free ministry of the Gospel; that we need pass no judgment on the actions of others whose efforts may be just as sincere as ours, but should have a care to maintain the ancient as well as our present faith in that infinite Spirit, which alone is able to truly qualify.

During the consideration of the Fifth Query a con-

cern arose that Friends should exercise due diligence in informing themselves of the well-grounded principles of those seeking their support through the elective franchise, that no compromise may be made of any of our important testimonies.

The details of the trusts committed to our charge have occupied less of the time of the meeting than heretofore, and rightly so; the committees having become more familiar with this special work, are liable to give more satisfactory care to these important concerns.

The recommendation contained in the report of the committee appointed last year on the trusts of the Yearly Meeting is worthy of careful examination, that the plan now proposed, and which promises such simplicity in the management of these important affairs, may be so perfected that when it is adopted, a continuous life of the trusts will be assured.

Caution was extended that we not only live within the bounds of our circumstances, but that we should be careful, whether rich or poor, not to set the example of extravagance.

We cannot compel people to attend meeting, but we can show that we love them, and ask them to unite with us in seeking the path of righteousness. When we pursue this course with the same earnest endeavor that we now display in our business affairs, our friends will realize our sincerity of purpose, and there will no longer be complaint about the attendance of our meetings. Attention was called to the evidences of life shown in the informal conferences held before and after our First-day morning meetings, and many Friends seemed to feel

that we need such for the development of a warmer Christian fellowship.

Our hearts were tenderly drawn into sympathy with those who for different violations of our rules of discipline had in former years been disowned from membership with us, yet still continued to attend our meetings. A living concern was felt that we should extend a loving care to these, and that nothing should appear in our conduct towards them that would in the least degree reflect the thought, "I am more holy than thou."

To assist the Clerks in preparing, printing, and distributing the Extracts a committee was appointed.

Our Meeting has been well attended. We have been favored to transact our business with a good degree of order and dignity. May the Spirit of the Most High which has been with us and guided our labors continue with us. Under this feeling we now adjourn, to meet again at the usual time next year if so permitted.

EMMOR ROBERTS, Clerk.

EXTRACTS

FROM

THE MINUTES

OF THE

Yearly Meeting of Women Friends

HELD IN

PHILADELPHIA,

BY ADJOURNMENTS FROM THE TENTH DAY OF FIFTH MONTH
TO THE FOURTEENTH OF THE SAME, INCLUSIVE,

1897.

EXTRACTS.

At the Yearly Meeting of Women Friends, held in Philadelphia, by adjournments from the 10th day of the Fifth month to the 14th of the same, inclusive, 1897.

As we centered into that living silence wherein we felt the inflowings of our Heavenly Father's love, we were feelingly reminded of our individual responsibility, and the need of our faithfully assuming it. Thanksgiving and praise arose for the privilege of thus coming together. Our Father was petitioned to continue to pour out His blessings on those who have almost run the race,—upon those bearing the heat and burden of the day, that they may depend upon Him for guidance and strength,—and upon the young, that they may draw nearer and nearer to Him, and know of being held in the hollow of His hand.

Reports from our constituent meetings were received and read. Of the one hundred and sixteen Friends, named therein to attend the sessions of this meeting as representatives, all were present but seven; for the absence of two reasons were assigned.

Ada B. Mitchell, Clara B. Miller, Sarah T. Lin-

ville, Lucy Smyth Cooper, Anna Canby Janney, and Elizabeth W. Ely were appointed to assist the Clerks in collecting the exercises of the meeting.

To examine the account of Anne M. Griscom, Treasurer of Women's branch of the Yearly Meeting, a committee was appointed.

Epistles from the Yearly Meetings with which we correspond have been received; those from New York, Ohio, Genesee, and Indiana were read, bringing us into a feeling of fellowship with our distant sisters, awakening the desire that as messages sent by way of remembrance they may serve to stir us to greater faithfulness. Responding to a thought in one of these Epistles, we were feelingly enjoined to consider the motive prompting the action, rather than the action itself, that we may not incautiously pass judgment, but let the mantle of charity so enfold us that love may be the well-spring of all action. Only as we are filled with a measure of our Heavenly Father's spirit, will we be clothed with that charity which suffereth long and is kind.

The representatives were directed to confer together, and be prepared to propose to the afternoon session Friends to serve the Meeting as Clerk and Assistant Clerk; also the name of a Friend to assist them. They were further directed to propose the names of

Friends to unite with a similar committee of Men Friends in auditing the accounts of Edmund Webster, Treasurer of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, reporting the sum necessary to be raised the ensuing year, and nominating a Friend to serve as Treasurer, and two Friends to act as Correspondents of the Yearly Meeting. This committee shall also nominate a small committee to audit the accounts of the Trustees of the Yearly Meeting at a date to be selected by the Trustees near to, but preceding the assembling of the Yearly Meeting of 1898, and report to that meeting.

Afternoon.

Matilda E. Janney, on behalf of the representatives, reported they had met as directed, and had united in proposing Sarah Griscom for Clerk, Matilda Garrigues for Assistant Clerk, and Ellen H. E. Price as reader. They were also united in proposing Edith K. Bushong, Agnes S. Palmer, Sarah Ann Conard, Hope L. Moore, and Cynthia S. Holcomb as a committee to unite with a similar committee of Men Friends in carrying out the requirements recited in the minute read at the morning's session. The Meeting united with the report of the representatives, and the Friends therein named were appointed to the services.

Epistles from our sisters of Illinois and Baltimore

Yearly Meetings were read, calling forth expressions of renewed interest and sympathy. To respond to the Epistles a committee was appointed.

A report, submitted by the Committee on George School, was read and approved, and the committee was continued. An earnest concern for the welfare of the school spread over the meeting. Much sympathy was expressed with the labors of the committee. They were tenderly counseled to be concerned not merely for the intellectual attainment of the pupil-but to extend to them that guarded care which will encourage simplicity in dress and living, and will promote their spiritual welfare, thus making the school in every sense a Friendly institution.

The Trustees were authorized to pay over as it may be needed during the coming year, $20,000 of the income of the Fund.

Third-day, Fifth month 11th—morning.

As we gathered into silence a message of love was handed forth to the sorrowing ones among us, with the encouraging thought that whatever the burden there is always room in the heart for thankfulness. In all things get understanding, and we shall find the silver lining to every cloud; ability will be given to rise above the shadows, and we will go on our way re-

joicing; we will "mount up with wings as eagles;" we will realize that sorrow may be a source of spiritual wealth and joy. Instead of finding with the Preacher "that all is vanity and vexation of spirit," we shall know that God is good, and that the canopy of His love covers and encircles all.

The report of the Committee on Education and the Disposition of the Income of the Samuel Jeanes Fund was read and approved, and the committee was continued and authorized to draw on the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for needful expenses. The Trustees of the Samuel Jeanes Fund were directed to pay to this committee the income arising therefrom as it may be needed. The meeting entered into sympathy with the committee, and it was encouraged to pursue its labors under the same feeling of responsibility.

In connection with this important work, teachers and local committees were reminded of *their* responsibilities, as the influence which schools exert depends chiefly upon those who have the care of them, and who thus come into close touch with the children.

"The committee to consider whether any, and if so, what changes are desirable in the Trustees by whom the funds in the charge of the Yearly Meeting are held," made a report, which was fully considered, and accepted, and the same committee was continued

for further service in this direction in accordance with the recommendation in the report.

The report of the Committee on Philanthropic Labor was presented, and the portions relating to the Indians and colored people were read. A live interest was felt in both these concerns, and much sympathy was expressed in the efforts of those who are laboring for the elevation of the colored people, and it was thought to be an encouraging fact in regard to the Indians that a field matron has been appointed from their own nation.

Afternoon.

The reading of the report of the Committee on Philanthropic Labor was continued, embracing the subjects of Temperance and Tobacco, Improper Publications, Purity, Peace and Arbitration, and Mission Work among Women and Children, showing an earnestness of effort and a deep interest in the various fields of labor in which they are engaged. The report was united with, and the committee was continued, and authorized to draw on the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for necessary expenses.

The proposed introduction of military training into our Public Schools claimed our serious consideration, and an earnest appeal was made for united effort in

preventing the adoption of a measure that will place our schools under the influence of the War Department. Such a movement is a menace to progress because it fosters a warlike spirit in the rising generation, upon whom rests the future of our nation. It was proposed, and united with, that this Yearly Meeting should present to the Board of Education of the City of Philadelphia a minute expressing our earnest protest against the introduction of military training into our Public Schools.

A proposition to appropriate five hundred dollars from the funds of this branch of the Yearly Meeting for the use of the two colored schools in South Carolina, to be equally divided between them, was generally united with, and the Treasurer was authorized to pay over that amount.

Men Friends informed that they had fully united with the proposition in relation to military drill, and had appointed a committee to unite with one from this meeting in preparing a suitable minute.

Fourth day, Fifth month 12th—morning.

The minutes of yesterday were read, and after some alteration approved.

A few Friends were appointed to unite with a committee of Men Friends in the preparation of a suitable

minute to present to the Board of Public Education in this city, as stated in our minute of yesterday.

The consideration of the state of our Society was entered upon, and proceeded with as far as the reading and answering of the First, Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Queries. In connection with the First Query the thought was expressed that our religious meetings are some of God's important opportunities to the children of men, as we attend them in the desire to expel everything but that which arises in the power of the living God. We know that those who are unable to attend their meetings may find in the quiet hour at home strength and help, yet this assembling of ourselves together is a blessed privilege, and we may not know how much goes out from heart to heart on these occasions, nor how much we miss when we neglect these opportunities.

"As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine: no more can ye, except ye abide in me." Only as we abide in the power of Christ, inwardly revealed as a quickening spirit, can we have that ability which will enable us to go forth as His dedicated children, and as we so abide there will be such a hungering and thirsting for His presence that we shall desire to seek it in our religious meetings. For though the consciousness of the nearness of the

Divine may be ever with us, there is a fuller blessing promised to those who gather together for the worship of the Father, and in the receptive condition that comes in the silence of the flesh and the stillness of the soul we shall be ministered unto according to our needs, and there will be a longing to know more of the blessing that comes from attendance at meeting.

The Third Query brought before us the important subject of a free Gospel ministry. We do not claim that with *us* alone are words spoken in the "demonstration of the Spirit, and of power;" others may be touched with a live coal from off God's holy altar, yet we recognize that the alone qualification is the immediate anointing and teaching of the Most High, who is not merely an unresponsive principle, but "Our Father which art in heaven," who knows our needs and hears our prayers.

Afternoon.

The Queries from the Sixth to the Twelfth, inclusive, were read, and their answers weightily considered.

In this time of much financial depression and oppression we should individually consider what we can do to ease the burdens resting upon others. We do not want uniformity in our manner of living, but we

do need to come into an acquaintance with that transforming Power which leads into *simplicity* in all things. Our opportunity is large; our responsibility is great.

Our attention was called to the importance of the word spoken in season. By gentle and tactful care some may be prevented from violating our testimonies; while others, through the spirit of restoring love, may be brought again into sympathy with us, and become useful members of our Society.

Feeling that healthful recreations are necessary for our children, we were incited to place before them such only as are innocent in their nature, and to discourage all those which compromise our testimony against lottery and gambling.

Fifth-day, Fifth month 13th—afternoon.

The remaining queries, with their answers, were read.

The report of the Committee on the Subject of First-day Schools, bearing evidence of earnestness and concern on the part of those engaged in the work, was read, united with, and the committee was continued.

The minutes of the Representative Committee, or Meetings for Sufferings, were read, and their labors approved.

The committee appointed to have control and care of the Joseph Jeanes Fund made a report, which was approved, and the committee was continued.

A proposition was introduced from Men's Meeting, that a statistical report of the membership of the different Monthly Meetings within the limits of this Yearly Meeting shall hereafter be annually made through the Quarterly Meetings. On consideration, the proposition was united with, and the Representative Committee is accordingly requested to prepare and forward the proper forms for the purpose.

The report of the Committee on Distant and Isolated Friends was read, united with, and the request of the committee to be released was granted. The proposition contained therein that Elizabeth Lloyd be appointed Correspondent concerning isolated members, was united with. The Representative Committee was authorized to draw upon the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for her necessary expenses.

Appreciation of the labors of the Committee was expressed, and we were individually encouraged to heed the intimations of duty in this direction, and if a message to these distant Friends arise in the love of the Heavenly Father, not to withhold it. We were reminded of our duty to those in our home meetings who seldom gather with us; let us see what we can do

to cheer and comfort and encourage them. If, without censure, but in tenderness we go to these, and enter into their interests, they may be drawn to us by the very love which prompts our visit, and an opportunity may arise for us to speak of what has brought us. If we are faithful, peace will come to our own minds, and it may be that there will be an awakening in the hearts of those to whom we have felt drawn.

A mother in Israel reminded us of the added obligation of manifesting our sympathy and love to those with whom we are in the habit of mingling,—that we be not so occupied with the cares of life as to be unable to enter into feeling with these. Sometimes the simple pressure of the hand may strengthen a discouraged one, and cheer her on her way.

A minute addressed to our absent Friends of Fishing Creek Half-Year Meeting was presented, and read, and referred to the Clerks for slight alteration.

An Epistle addressed to all meetings bearing the name of Friends, and the members composing them, from the Friends who held their Yearly Meeting in this city last month, was read.

Sixth-day, Fifth month 14th—morning.

We were lovingly counseled to turn within and listen to the requirings of our Heavenly Father. As we

close in with His invitations of love and yield cheerful obedience thereto, we are truly His disciples, and shall be enabled to go forth under His divine anointing in whatever service He may lead us. Conditions were reached, and pleadings voiced for the preservation of the mother in her prayerful effort to keep her children close to the Fountain of Truth, and that her faith may be sustained unto the end.

The minute addressed to the Friends of Fishing Creek Half-Year Meeting was again read, with suggested alteration; it was united with, and the Clerk was directed to sign and forward it.

A report from the Joint Committee appointed to prepare a minute on Military Drill in the Public Schools, was submitted. The minute offered was fully united with, and it was the prevailing feeling in the meeting that it should be signed and presented to the Board of Public Education by the Clerks of the Yearly Meeting.

A feeling of gratitude arose for the many privileges which we of the present day enjoy, not only the widening opportunities of education, but the better understanding of our three-fold being and the laws which govern it; and mothers were encouraged to retain the close confidence of their children, and to instruct them in those vital subjects which it should be

the mother's privilege to interpret, that the impure thought may not enter in.

The committee appointed to examine and settle the accounts of Edmund Webster, Treasurer of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, and for other duties, as recited in the minute of appointment, made a report, which was read and approved.

Edmund Webster therein named for Treasurer, Alfred Moore and Anne M. Griscom for Correspondents of the Yearly Meeting, and Howard M. Cooper, Wm. T. Hilliard, Wesley Haldeman, Rachel W. Hillborn, Mary McAllister, and Cynthia S. Holcomb to audit the accounts of the Trustees, were united with, and appointed to the respective services.

An essay of an Epistle, prepared by the committee appointed for that purpose, was read and approved. The Clerk was directed to sign and forward it to each of the Yearly Meetings with which we correspond.

Edith K. Bushong, a representative from Caln Quarterly Meeting, being obliged to absent herself, was excused from the meeting.

Afternoon.

The committee appointed last year to advise and assist Edward M. Paxson in the application of certain

legacies mentioned in the will of Matthias Hutchinson, made a report, and was released.

The committee to examine the account of the Treasurer of Women's Meeting made the following report, which was satisfactory to the meeting, and Anne M. Griscom, therein named for Treasurer, was appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

REPORT.

The committee to examine the account of the Treasurer of Women's branch of the Yearly Meeting, and bring forward the name of a Friend to serve the Meeting as Treasurer the ensuing year, met and performed the service. We found the account correct, with a balance in her hands of $1,223.14. We were united in proposing to the Yearly Meeting the name of Anne M. Griscom for Treasurer the ensuing year.

On behalf of the Committee,

SARAH T. PRICE.

Phila., Fifth month 12th, 1897.

It was directed that the quotas should be forwarded as usual.

The Clerk was authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for the printing of the Extracts and for other necessary expenses.

As the record of the minutes of the Yearly Meeting of 1896 fills the present Minute Book, the Clerk was

directed to deposit it in the fireproof safe of the Yearly Meeting.

The eighth annual report of the Trustees of the Bequest of John M. George, deceased; the second annual report of the Trustees of the Samuel Jeanes Fund, and the first annual report of the Trustees of the Joseph Jeanes Fund, together with the report of the auditors of the same, were read and approved.

A memorial from Gwynedd Monthly Meeting concerning our deceased friend, Joel Lare, was read, and was felt to be a fitting tribute to a humble and faithful servant of the Most High.

During the sessions of this Yearly Meeting we have been helped by the ascendings of silent aspirations, as well as by the spoken word, and now as we close our labors we can acknowledge the all-sufficiency of Israel's unslumbering Shepherd, who giveth ability which human power cannot supply. Let us abide in this faith, waiting upon Him, not only in the stillness, but as we pursue our active duties, ever ascribing unto Him the glory due His name.

The meeting concluded, to meet at the usual time next year if consistent with the Divine will.

Sarah Griscom, Clerk.

APPENDIX.

Containing Epistles received from other Yearly Meetings, Committees, etc.

To Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of Friends:

Dear Friends:—We meet again in our annual gathering under a renewed sense of our dependence upon the only source of divine wisdom who is ever ready to lead and guide us aright.

One by one we miss the faithful standard bearers who have, for many years, borne the burden in the heat of the day, but we are comforted in the belief there will still be devoted workers in the Father's vineyard who will continue to hold up to the world the simplicity of the truth as held by the Society of Friends. While it is true that we hear more and more allusions made to the inshining of the divine light in the soul, is it not also true that amid the prominence given to outward things, there is danger of the importance of the sum and substance of all, the fountain of all religious life, the Christ spirit, the divine immanence in the soul, becoming dwarfed and overshadowed? The need of our Society still exists. In the increasing interest of our young people, especially as shown in the Young Friends' Association,

an organization which seems to be preparing its members for active service in future fields of usefulness, we see the sign of encouragement for our Society. A lively interest was expressed that our borders might be enlarged, that others might be drawn into our fold through efforts to spread wider a knowledge of our simple faith in the loving Father, who, through His Holy Spirit, is the teacher of His people Himself.

We have been cheered and comforted by the reading of your valued epistle, together with those from the other Yearly Meetings, believing these interchanges of love and esteem tend to cement and strengthen us in our common efforts for the betterment of ourselves and those about us.

The report of our Philanthropic Committee was read in joint session. Its reading elicited much exercise upon the subject of purity, regarding which, we rejoice to know, that our Society has given no uncertain sound. This must be the indispensable foundation for the happy home, the basis of a prosperous nation. In the consideration of peace and arbitration the thought was feelingly expressed that the time had come when the people, as never before, were prepared for the settlement of all national differences by arbitration. The movements toward that end, both by our own and the English people, give to all lovers of peace great cause for encouragement.

The report on temperance and tobacco brought out a lively exercise that all should bear an earnest and consistent testimony regarding these subjects, both by example and precept.

The increased opening during the past years for work in the Indian concerns was also of much interest.

At a public meeting held under the direction of the Philanthropic Committee, the importance of the very early training of the children was impressively brought to our attention, by the reading of an interesting paper on "Kindergarten for the Poor." It was felt that the work in saving the child was the foundation of Philanthropic Labor.

The establishment of the system of military training in our public schools, now so strongly advocated in many quarters, brought a deep exercise over the Meeting.

The vigorous protest of our Representative Committee against legislation upon this subject seems to have been effective in this State.

The voice of exhortation has been heard from some of our young members to make free use of kind words. We can do this so easily. The amount of good thus done, the encouragement thus given to others, we cannot estimate, but our reward is sure. We were warned also against the blighting influence of unkind words and urged to teach our children self-control in this respect.

The First-day School has assumed an important position in our religious work. We feel more than ever the importance of dealing rightly and wisely with our children and young people, and while we instruct them in the history of our Society and in the testimony of the Fathers, our aim must be, to lovingly present to their receptive minds the spirit of Christ's teaching of the Fatherhood of God, and the Brotherhood of Man, thus leading them to the Christ power within themselves.

We have with us several Friends from other Yearly Meetings, whose company and counsel have been very acceptable. These visits of love and interest in each other's welfare, we feel to be both mutually encouraging and profitable.

Much unity and interest have characterized our several sittings. We bid you, workers with us for the best interest of our Society, an affectionate farewell.

Signed by direction and on behalf of New York Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, held in New York City, from the 25th to the 28th, inclusive, of Fifth month, 1896.

WM. H. WILLITS, Clerk.

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends, Men's Branch, held in Philadelphia, 1897:

DEAR FRIENDS:—As laborers in our common field of service, after another year, we are again convened, as we trust, under the Master's covering, to render, as members of the church militant, an account of our stewardship, and for our spiritual refreshment and strengthening for the further duties of our social and religious life.

The reading of our epistolary correspondence has been gratifying and beneficial, keeping the bond of united fellowship bright and strong between us.

We have been favored with the company of a number of visiting Friends, whose cheering presence, and the earnest counsel of some, have been helpful and encouraging, and in connection with the apostolic declaration, "the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life," it was clearly shown how closely the letter and the spirit, the form and the substance, intertwine, the one manifesting the indwelling of the other, and neither perfect in its manifestations without the other.

With regard to the philanthropic work of our Yearly Meeting, while there is a deep interest and earnest activity in all, in the language of one of the reports, our most effective work has been done in the departments of peace, temperance, purity, and home missions. A commendable growth of sentiment among the populace favorable to the settlement of differences by arbitration is

surely apparent, and we indulge the pleasing hope that the near future shall find the barbarism of war to be too odious to be longer resorted to by the leading civilized nations of the earth.

We are also justified in the belief that the cause of temperance has assumed a form among us, which will lead to greater practical results in the not distant future.

Our attention being called to a movement for a union of all of the friends of temperance into an organization known as the "American Anti-Saloon League," in a public meeting called for its consideration, it met with our unqualified approval.

We are heartily supporting a movement of Women's Branch of this meeting for the "Purification of the Press" and the suppression of immodest prints. The sentiment gathered from replies received from a large number of representatives of the Press and other leaders of thought and action, encourages the hope that their labors in this field have not been in vain.

We have tried to extend relief to the indigent poor and suffering humanity, as ability has been given, and we are not unmindful of the groanings of the dumb creation, but have been unable to do much more than foster a sentiment in favor of its relief.

But time would not suffice to go largely into detail in these matters, neither is it needful, for our best effort in these epistles can but stir up the pure mind by way of remembrance, and knowing you are already seriously engaged in many of these humanitarian works, we commend your labors and encourage you in still further efforts.

Reports from our First-day Schools and the various meetings and conferences held at this time manifest an unabated interest in this important work, on which so much of the future of our Society depends. It is hardly possible to give in detail in this epistle the various plans or suggestions for future operations, but our published minutes of proceedings and those of the Swarthmore Conferences, which have been fully approved by our Society at large, are referred to as full of information on this and kindred subjects.

The condition of our membership as manifest by the reports from our constituent Quarterly Meetings is generally satisfactory, and we thankfully recognize a strengthening of the bond of love, which can alone bind us together in mutual helpfulness.

Under an exercise expressed in this meeting, which spread as a living concern and was fully united with, we have appointed a committee to extend a helpful hand as opportunity and ability are afforded, to those small and distant communities of Friends for whom we feel the warmest love and sympathy.

Our Standing Committee on the Indian Concern submitted their annual report, showing but little work actually accomplished in this interesting field, but the members of the committee endeavor to embrace every opportunity that may offer to assist this people, their efforts being now mainly directed to extending the system of Field Matrons, which they consider a matter of grave importance to the Indians.

After long years of neglect in this direction the Department of Indian Affairs is now giving special attention to this service, and the results are most gratifying.

Finally, dear friends, gratefully acknowledging the overshadowing of the Divine Spirit, under which we have been enabled to conduct the business of our meeting in much love and great harmony, and sincerely commending you to an abiding faith in His preserving and sustaining power, we bid you farewell, and remain your friends.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Friends, Men's Branch, held by adjournments, from Tenth month 26th to 29th, inclusive, 1896.

EDWARD STABLER, JR., Clerk.

From Ohio Yearly Meeting of Friends, held by adjournments, from the 31st of Eighth month to the 3d of Ninth month, inclusive, 1896.

To Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of Friends:

DEAR FRIENDS:—Again our hearts have been made glad by the blessed privilege accorded us of mingling with Friends who have been willing to lay aside their worldly cares for the purpose of thus worshiping him who said, "Where two or three are gathered together in my name there will I be in the the midst." While we rejoice in mingling with those assembled we should be mindful of those who through the weight of advancing years and other privations have been unable to be with us.

Yet he who is in the midst of our meetings is also with the afflicted. The memory of the devoted ones who, in the passing years, have been laid to rest, admonishes us to increase our faithfulness, and to more earnestly crave to receive the "Light of life which is the light of the world"—to drink deeper of that water of life which Jesus offered freely to all those who asked.

We were admonished to worship God in spirit, and thereby know him in Christ, and in proportion as our love toward God is increased, so will it be toward our neighbor to do him good.

In the work for the advancement of Christian living we were advised to be not discouraged because our gifts are few, and our work but little; a clean vessel in the house of the Lord is just as necessary as the stately pillar, and it is ours to keep the vessel clean.

In considering the state of Society, as reported by the different branches, there were deficiencies felt to exist, yet a feeling of thankfulness prevailed that we had been preserved as close to the line of rectitude as many of our answers indicated. Encouragement was given to more closely center our lives in the power of the Most High.

The First-day School Association held two profitable sessions. The one devoted mainly to the exercises of the children stirred an interest and life among all assembled. While the First-day School is an important factor to the meeting and to the right training of the young, it does not lessen the responsibility of parents in daily watchfulness and prayer; not only watchfulness but vigilance is needed to guard them from the literature and other corrupting influences to which they are exposed, and to see that suitable reading is placed within their reach, and that they are surrounded with other ennobling influences.

The report of the Philanthropic Committee was of interest, although in the different lines of organized work that accomplished will be counted as but a mite, yet we are comforted in believing that the individual aid and upbuilding has been fruitful, and that help to the lowly and afflicted has brought its reward. And now, dear Friends, may the living sympathy that exists throughout our borders be increased, and may we endeavor to live close to the divine guide as we journey through life. In this desire we bid you farewell.

Signed by direction of the meeting,

JOSEPH S. HARTLEY,
SARAH C. FOX,
} Clerks.

From Indiana Yearly Meeting of Friends.

To Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of Men Friends:

DEAR FRIENDS:—Again we are encouraged and strengthened by the good tidings that come to us through the medium of your excellent epistle, and those from other Yearly Meetings, dealing as they do in the various channels of philanthropic labor, in which you, as well as ourselves, are engaged for the furtherance and upbuilding of the kingdom, by imitating in our feeble capacity the example given us by the beloved Master, - that of relieving the burdens of the human family by rendering more pleasant the paths in which the unfortunate and aged ones are sometimes cast, by extending timely assistance, and in many ways doing the service which the Father surely requires of us; by striving to relieve, and render more happy and cheerful the lives and conditions of those less favored, which called forth the expression of the Master, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

We have met for the first time as a Yearly Meeting in joint session, and many of us feel that it is an advance step, and that we have been more than ordinarily blessed; that the mingling of the strong and the more gently flowing currents have so tempered the stream that it has grown both broad and deep, and seems filled with the Father's love.

We have the company of dear Friends from other parts of our heritage whom the loving Father has sent to strengthen and encourage us, and we have truly felt our faith renewed.

The reading and answering of the Queries caused deep searching of hearts to see where some noted deficiencies belonged, and many felt constrained to say, "Lord, is it I?"

We feel that we cannot too earnestly oppose the attempted establishment of military drill in our Public Schools. Let us rather instill into the innocent and pliable minds of children the pure "law of love" and forgiveness of wrongs. Teach them to follow the example of the blessed One, who, even upon the cross, prayed, "Father, forgive them."

The subject of tobacco has claimed our earnest attention, and while we regret that according to the reports from our Quarterly Meetings, we still have a few members of two Monthly Meetings that are not entirely clear of raising it, and some continue its use, it was encouraging to find one Monthly Meeting entirely clear.

The statistical report of membership of our Yearly Meeting was read, and the information it gave caused a sadness to come over the meeting; yet, although recognizing a deficiency in our membership, we trust the spiritual awakening that is apparent will be a strength to us to go forth and labor in the Father's vineyard with renewed energy, each one feeling the responsibility of doing the Master's work, and of drawing very near unto Him with an earnest desire to know, "Lord, what would thou have me to do?"

The younger ones of our Society were kindly reminded that however small we may feel, yet "A small pitcher full is just as full as a large one," and so were encouraged to use what gifts they have, for "with the using the gift will grow."

Our interest in First-day Schools continues. We have held two interesting sessions of the First-day School Association, and the reports from our schools are mostly encouraging.

We are glad that the importance of equal purity of men and women is so wide-spreading. The influence of this work is not alone in our beloved Society, but has gone out and is doing much good in the world.

Then let us not shut ourselves up within our own fold, but throw wide the doors and invite others to come and see; yea, and let us go out into by-ways and seek for the lost sheep; seek long and earnestly until we find.

We have also been mindful of the freedmen, and when we remember the many years they were kept in such degradation, we feel the need of long and patient labor for their elevation and spiritual upbuilding.

We wish, dear Friends, that we had the language to convey to you the full height and depth of the precious love of the Father, which from day to day has overspread our gatherings, enabling us to transact our business in much harmony.

A letter was received and read from a dear elderly brother,—formerly a member of this, but now of your Yearly Meeting,—which turned our hearts afresh to the pure fountain from which he drew his inspiration of loving remembrance.

And now, with an earnest prayer that you may be blessed throughout your several gatherings by as deep an inflow of Divine love, we bid you an affectionate farewell.

Signed in and by direction of Indiana Yearly Meeting of Friends, held by adjournments, from the 28th of Ninth month to the 1st of Tenth month, inclusive, 1896.

GEORGE R. THORPE, Clerk.

From Genesee Yearly Meeting of Friends.

To Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of Men Friends:

DEAR FRIENDS:—The love of our Heavenly Father is very near to His dependent children, and gathered once more in our annual assembly, we have been renewedly made sensible of this, and encouraged to seek the all-sufficient grace which will enable us nobly to occupy the place and station in life to which we are called, and prepare us to meet with composure its final closing.

We have felt ourselves to be children of one Father, the movings and drawings of whose divine life brings those who are exercised thereby into harmony in seeking after truth. This sense of brotherhood is abroad in the world, and we trust the advocacy of our fundamental principle,—the direct revelation of God to every human soul,—has been a help in this direction.

We have listened to the reading of your excellent epistle with much interest; the corresponding travail of spirit and exercise portrayed proves that we are very near in religious feeling, however divided as to place and circumstance. And the concern is renewed to dedicate ourselves unselfishly to the Master's work everywhere, remembering there is a field in which we are all called to labor, and not a day need pass but some opportunity will be found to help or cheer another on the way.

We need to emphasize all the good in a realization of the exhortation, "Whatsoever things are true, lovely,

and of good report, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

We have been tendered and baptized into newness of life and interest as we listened to the living messages of our visiting Friends, who, as well as our dear ones, have labored faithfully for our instruction.

They have been entrusted with food for the nourishment of the higher life, and we have been encouraged to sow beside all waters the seed committed to our care. We were reminded that as each morning is new and bright with promise, so renewed each day are our blessings and privileges, and whatever may have been the mistakes of yesterday we should diligently press onward in every good way and work.

When considering our condition as exhibited by the answers to the Queries, though weakness is apparent, yet we can gratefully acknowledge and endeavor to maintain our principles and testimonies. Much counsel was extended, especially in regard to the attendance of our meetings.

The young were reminded that they cannot find any other religious home which offers more freedom for the exercises of all their gifts, or one that is better fitted to the needs of human hearts and lives. That the name we bear as Friends is a passport to every advantage which right association with the world can give, and if we carry this dignity with us, exemplifying our appreciation of it by an upright walking, we shall find an acknowledgment of the same from those with whom we mingle, and our thought and our aspiration will help to mould the thought and conviction of the day. The

time is calling loudly for dedication on our part, and if we will be true and helpful we shall be prepared to meet and co-operate with God in all the revealings of His love and pleasure, and find our strength renewed day by day.

Three sessions of the First-day School Association were held, at one of which an interesting program was rendered. The reports from the schools within our limits were encouraging. Many are consecrated to the work, feeling assured it is a service of vital importance to the future of our Society. A concern is felt that we seek the qualification without which no work can prosper. In philanthropic labor some help has been extended to the colored schools in the South.

In regard to social purity we were reminded that there is no question of importance to human life too secret or too sacred to be talked about socially, that the same purity of life which brothers expect and demand of their sisters should be their own, and that sweet innocence in the knowledge of self has often proved to be dangerous ignorance.

In regard to intemperance it was felt that prohibition is the only remedy; that if the portion of humanity that profess religion were converted to Christianity, it would very soon wipe out this evil, and there is an especial responsibility resting upon us to help the weak and fallen because of our own clearness. It was stated that the leprosy of intemperance is an ocean of difficulty.

A memorial for the Dominion Parliament and Senate, submitted for the approval of the meeting by the representative committee, embracing the subjects of government and citizenship,—International Arbitration, Capi-

tal Punishment, Militarism, Temperance and Oaths,—was approved, and means taken to have it presented.

Believing that the fresh inspiration received will bear fruit in increased devotion to duty, let us set our faces toward that future which faith brightens for us with hope, and filled with new strength gained from our mental, spiritual, and social communings, may we return to our various places, ready to do with our might what we find to do.

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

Signed by direction of the meeting,

SAMUEL P. ZAVITZ,
ARLETTA CUTLER, } Clerks.

From Illinois Yearly Meeting of Friends to that of Philadelphia:

DEAR FRIENDS:—It is with a feeling that we are one of a band of fellow-workers that we address you, acknowledging the receipt of your welcome epistle of love and greeting, conveying intelligence of the work performed in different parts of our Father's heritage. We recognize indeed the force of the saying that "Joint strength is more effective than divided action;" therefore the organization of our Union for Philanthropic Labor, which has taken up so many lines of work, and, according to the reports, performed such effective labor, and we have a living hope that the presentation of this subject as given will arouse us more and more to the need of still greater work, and the responsibility of individual members in regard to it, at the same time respecting the honest convictions of every one endeavoring to assist in the uplifting of humanity. In our own particular field we would mention, in response to a sentiment of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting (Woman's Branch), that we are endeavoring to do work in the cause of social purity, one phase being the holding of a "Woman's Meeting" of one session during the sittings of our Yearly Meeting, at which topics pertaining to home life and the duties of parents, the importance of providing good literature for the children, and selecting suitable associates for them, the establishing of an equal standard of purity for both

sexes, the reclamation of erring women, etc., are presented, and freely discussed.

We find an increasing interest in the subject in our Society, and as truth develops in the mind the equality of men and women is being more and more emphasized, not only in our body, but in the world.

We see that no home can be so sheltered as to be sure of escaping the blighting influence of the greatest moral sin of our age, and happy are they whose parents wisely teach son and daughter that they have equal responsibilities before God for purity of life.

We find the more we labor in this line, the more our sympathies are awakened; the greater appear the needs, and we realize that in helping others to a higher standard of purity, we are lifting ourselves still higher, perhaps fulfilling the sentiment that

> "Heaven's gate is shut to him who comes alone,
> Save thou a soul and it will save thy own."

In summing up the state of Society within our own borders, the answers to the several Queries gave evidence of a gradual but sure advancement toward the attainment of that more perfect life to which it is our privilege to aspire.

Our Visiting Committee reported much individual work done, both in the attendance of remotely situated meetings and in visits to isolated members, as well as a large amount of literature distributed.

The increase in the number of First-day Schools in some of our Yearly Meetings, combined with a deter-

mination to work with renewed energy, cannot fail to produce satisfactory results.

The subject of the education of children, both in First-day and secular schools, in regard to the injurious effects, physically, mentally, and spiritually of the use of tobacco and other narcotics, and the introduction of the anti-cigarette league therein, as expressed in one of the epistles received, met with a feeling response in many hearts, believing that the early impression of the true and pure, leaving no room for the false and impure, will have great power over the future lives of both sexes.

We endorse the sentiment of another, that great care should be extended in regard to games and amusements for our children, that they may not be drawn into undesirable or unprofitable places. A feeling desire voiced by a sister meeting for more literature for the young, bearing upon the distinctive principles of Friends, touches a responsive chord. If, as has been said, "The future of our Society lies in the children of to-day;" is it not clearly a duty we owe the Society to provide all the helps we can for these young and inquiring minds to a better understanding of those simple but beautiful faiths which have been our inheritance through much suffering?

We, in common with the Society at large, realize that the upright example and strong personal influence of Joseph A. Bogardus has left a lasting impress, and his removal is keenly felt.

Our meeting listened to the report of our delegates to the General Conference with very great interest, but we regret exceedingly that no provision was made for

the primary classes in our First-day Schools. We feel that it is a failure to protect and strengthen the very foundation of our Society.

Our First-day School Conference held two very interesting sessions. The reports from the different schools were encouraging, and the topics, "How can we induce parents to attend the First-day School?" and "How far shall we teach the fundamental principles of Friends in the First-day Schools?" called forth a good deal of discussion, which we think will be of practical value to us.

An evening meeting for the children, in which they were addressed by the older Friends on subjects and in language suited to their understanding, was held, as has been our custom for years, and was much enjoyed by them.

Friends from a distance, both with and without minutes, are acceptably in attendance, giving us, by their presence and encouragement, we feel in our widely separated condition to need so much.

Epistles from all the meetings with which we correspond have been received.

With an earnest desire that we may all be faithful in the discharge of our duty to God and man, we remain your friends.

Signed in behalf of Illinois Yearly Meeting,

OLIVER WILSON, Clerk.

Extracts from the Minutes of the Representative Committee, and List of Books on Hand.

The Committee having charge of the fireproof and book-case report that the following books are contained therein:

Life of Wm. Penn.
Life of John Richardson.
Barclay's Apology.
Barclay's Catechism.
John Woolman's Journal.
Peace Principles Exemplified. S. M. Janney.
Summary of Christian Doctrines. S. M. Janney.
Conversations on Religious Subjects. S. M. Janney.
Holy Life. Hugh Turford.
Dymond on War.
Dr. Joseph Parrish's Letter.
Letter of Wm. Penn to his Wife and Children.
Short Account of Peter Gardiner.
Advice of William Penn to his Children.
Rules of Discipline.
Rise and Progress. W. Penn.
Testimonies of Truth. Jane Johnson.
Memoirs of Samuel M. Janney.
Vital Religion. S. M. Janney.
No Cross, No Crown. Wm. Penn.
Church Discipline. Job Scott.

Dell on Baptism.

Views of George Fox, concerning Christian Discipline.

Views of George Fox, concerning Christian Testimonies.

Views of George Fox, concerning Christian Ministry and Divine Worship.

Epistle of Tender Caution. Job Scott.

Life of George Fox. S. M. Janney.

Doctrine and Discipline of the Society of Friends, by William Gibbons, M.D.

Testimonies and Views of Friends concerning the Scriptures.

Retrospect of Early Quakerism.

Salvation by Christ. Job Scott.

Familiar Dialogues. S. M. Janney.

Essay on Music.

Blank Marriage Certificates.

Map of places of holding meetings, etc.

During the past year there have been distributed several hundred copies of books and pamphlets.

The Representative Committee, or Meeting for Sufferings, states, for the information of Friends, that the books and pamphlets in the "fire-proof and book-case" belonging to the Yearly Meeting are for distribution among those who desire to become acquainted with our religious principles and testimonies.

Members of the Representative Committee have access to the "fire-proof" by application to Benjamin Walton, on the premises.

It is expected that Friends who have a concern to distribute books and pamphlets contained therein will ap-

ply to any member of the committee appointed by his or her Quarterly Meeting.

A book is provided for the purpose of recording books taken out, and the name of the Friend granting the order, "and it is desired that such entry shall not be omitted."

Extracted from the Minutes of the meeting of the Representative Committee, or Meeting for Sufferings, held Fifth month 10th, 1897.

ALFRED MOORE, Clerk.

A Testimony concerning our lately deceased friend Joel Lare, from the Ministers and Elders of Gwynedd Monthly Meeting, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

To commemorate the dealings of a gracious God with his rational family is a duty worthy of our serious consideration, in that, having compassion on the creation of his hand, He raises the humble from the dust, and places him with the princes of the land, and though His habitation is in the holy place He visits the meek with his presence, and makes them wise in those things which pertain to their well-being.

Our object in preparing this Memorial of our lately deceased friend is not to exalt the natural man, but to display the power of faith through our blessed Saviour Jesus Christ, in qualifying a servant with but common ability, to be an able minister of the covenant of grace, edifying the living members of the Church of Christ by diligent labor in the service of the Divine Master.

Joel Lare was the son of Leonard and Sarah Johnson Lare. He was born about 1807. His father accidentally lost his life while Joel was young, but his mother was desirous for the welfare of her children; yet being in limited circumstances, was unable to give them the advantage of suitable education, and Joel partook of the character of his surroundings. He was apprenticed to learn blacksmithing, and thus passed six years in ac-

quiring his trade, working hard early in the mornings and late in the evenings. During these years his associations were not calculated to promote either his temporal or his spiritual welfare, but that unslumbering Shepherd who is "a friend of the fatherless" was not unmindful of the wanderer, but visited him when young with impressions of heavenly good and secret desires to obtain it; and about the end of his apprenticeship revealed Himself in a manifestation of the exceeding sinfulness of the course he was pursuing, which led him into deep exercise, nearly resulting in the derangement of his intellect. While in this severe conflict, which continued for some years, the sympathy of a worthy Friend was awakened, who extended counsel and encouragement for his help, and as he became faithful to the openings of Truth he was enabled to overcome the enemy of his soul's peace. Continuing to dwell under the weight of that which baptized into suffering for sin, he was raised from his low condition, and made to rejoice in his gracious Redeemer.

In the year 1832 he applied to our Monthly Meeting for membership with Friends, which was granted, and he continued in unity with us the remainder of his life. This, however, was not the end of his spiritual conflicts, and many close provings were to be witnessed in the regeneration from the condition of a servant to sin to that of an humble follower of the Lamb which takes away all iniquity. In these trying hours it may be said that he was "A spectacle to men and to angels," his countenance manifesting the agony of his soul, and his body trembling as if shaking from cold.

As the work of purification progressed an impression to express a few words in our public meetings was made on his mind, which was a great mortification to his natural will. With education lacking for ordinary conversation, he felt that to attempt to say anything in public would expose him to ridicule, and could not be approved by any; but after a period of suffering he was made willing to take up his cross, and was strengthened to express in a public meeting this exercise: "I believe, my friends, if we are concerned to be still, the Lord will work for our deliverance, and cause our hearts to rejoice in his love." These few words may almost be considered as the keynote of his long labor in the ministry, which was much to encourage a patient waiting for and trust in the Divine Power, with confidence that it will bring the soul into a peace not to be attained by other means.

His appearances in the ministry, being in the simplicity of the Truth, were attended by the evidence of Divine qualification, reaching the witness in the minds of those who heard him, and some who were acquainted with his earlier life and had unfavorable estimate of his natural ability were made greatly to admire and to praise that Power which had lifted him out of the mire, and prepared him to be an instrument in the Divine hand to preach the Gospel of Christ for the gathering of the people to the fountain of life. Keeping humble he grew in his gift to the overcoming of prejudice, and his ministry was acknowledged in the year 1837 by Gwynedd Monthly Meeting.

His first religious service with the unity of Friends

was in visiting the families composing Gwynedd Monthly Meeting in the year 1838, which was accomplished principally in the evenings after the day's labor, and on First-day afternoons, being accompanied by William Foulke to those of Gwynedd and Providence, and by Thomas P. Baynes to those of Plymouth Preparative Meetings. One hundred and twenty-six families of members and four others were visited, way being opened therein to receive the advice handed forth. This labor was satisfactory, and tended to the removal of some disturbing matters of a scattering nature. In a brief memorandum which he kept of this weighty engagement, he remarks: "Dwelling in the precious life of our dear Redeemer we were favored to accomplish the work, we trust to His honor and glory. 'It is not I that doeth the work; it is my Father who dwells in me.' In this there is qualification to minister 'in the ability which God gives, and which leaves a savor behind it.'"

We cannot here give account of the various religious engagements during his long life, yet we may add that he was diligent in his vocation, often attending the neighboring meetings; his most extensive mission from home being in the latter months of 1852 to the greater part of the meetings of New York Yearly Meeting, in which he was accompanied by his neighbor and friend, William Zorns. Testimonials remain of the appreciation which Friends had of the value of this service, which claimed much time and was attended by close travail of spirit.

In the year 1848 he was united in marriage with Mary C. Walton, who was a valuable Friend and a true help

for twenty-three years in social and religious life. They settled near Plymouth Meeting, where he followed his occupation of blacksmithing, and prospered in it to the acquisition of a comfortable competence. In 1869 his wife was removed, as we believe to a mansion of eternal peace. In 1871 he married Mary Jeanes, a daughter of his former friend and counsellor, who survives him.

Though physically and mentally weakened by the decline attendant upon age, the spiritual life continued green, being grounded in Him who is the Life and the Truth. Notwithstanding great bodily infirmity he continued in attendance at our meetings, often appearing with remarkable power and clearness in the ministry, and from entering into its state speaking to the comfort and encouragement of Friends, giving evidence that he had not followed fables cunningly devised in the wisdom and learning of men, but the "wisdom and power of God," which is able to make the soul wise to its salvation.

This doctrine of salvation by Christ was particularly dear to our friend, who having experienced in his heart the bringing forth the Son of God as a condemner for evil deeds, had also witnessed him to be the Life which is the true light of the world, and by walking in it, was preserved from running after the false lights which abound, and thus was made an inheritor of that "more exceeding weight of glory," which is in store for all who love the appearance of Truth in themselves.

He was plain in his apparel and hospitable in his dwelling. His home with its furnishings was in the simplicity becoming our profession. Having a suffi-

ciency he relinquished his business at the time of his second marriage, employing his time mainly in the cultivation of fruit on the ground attached to his dwelling. During the very inclement weather preceding his death he steadily attended his meeting, and though the walking was unusually difficult, he was there the day previous to his last illness. On the 21st of Fourth month, 1895, he was stricken with paralysis, soon lapsing into insensibility, in which condition he remained until his close on the 25th, when he quietly ceased breathing. His remains were interred on the 29th of the month in Friends' burial-ground at Plymouth, at which time a solemn meeting was held and feeling testimonies were borne.

Thus has closed at an age extended beyond the usual length an existence which commenced amid unfavorable conditions. Truly it may be said he was a minister of the Almighty's making, and fitted for a place in His church. In his ministry he was "sound in word and in doctrine"; careful to wait for the divine anointing, and while expressing his views, there was no attempt at ornament. Solid in his deportment in our meetings, and reverent in manner, his communications were seasoned with the savor of life. He was meek and humble in spirit, thus adorning the doctrine which he preached to others by endeavoring to live in it, and though many infirmities abounded, he could say with the apostle, "By the grace of God I am what I am."

Near the close of his visit to the meetings of New York he wrote: "I have a desire to be kept humble before Him and to wait at the King's gate for fresh coun-

sel, and my prayers have been that I might be preserved for the future as well as at the present time; that I may still be found worthy to be a child of my Heavenly Father, who alone is worthy of all honor now and forevermore."

"Mark the perfect man and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace," was an injunction of a former age, and we have great cause in the life of our deceased friend to reflect upon, and turn to that Power by which he was redeemed from evil, and preserved to the end of his days in upright walking before God, whose works continually praise Him.

Signed on behalf thereof by

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Tenth month 31st, 1895.

Read in and by direction of Gwynedd Monthly Meeting of Friends, held in joint session Eleventh month 28th, 1895, approved therein, and directed to be signed by the Clerks on behalf of the meeting, and forwarded to the next Quarterly Meeting.

MARY R. LIVEZEY,
WALTER H. JENKINS, } Clerks.

Read in and approved by Abington Quarterly Meeting of Friends, held at Gwynedd the 6th of Eighth month, 1896, and directed to be signed by the Clerks, and forwarded to the Representative Committee of the Yearly Meeting.

BENJ. F. PENROSE, Clerk.
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